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Current flooding conditions at Canyon Lake

NEW BRAUNFELS, TX – Canyon Lake, operated and maintained by the Fort Worth District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, is designed to capture flood flows from the upstream watershed to reduce additional damage to areas downstream of the reservoir. Canyon Dam is performing as designed and is structurally sound. To ensure structural integrity is maintained, the Corps has lake personnel and dam safety engineers on site continuously monitoring the condition of the dam.

Corps of Engineers officials report that at 10 a.m. today the Canyon Lake pool was at elevation 949.53 feet. The spillway discharge was estimated to be 55,000 cubic feet per second (cfs). The spillway is designed to be able to discharge flows greater than 500,000 cfs and the lake level is approximately 20 feet below the maximum design water surface.

Based on the rain which occurred overnight, high continued flows over the spillway are expected for the next several days. Lake levels are expected to continue to rise during the day and the maximum spillway flow is forecast to reach 70,000 to 85,000 cfs later today. If significant additional rainfall occurs today, the spillway discharge could exceed 100,000 cfs.

The Corps encourages people to follow the instructions of emergency personnel and stay away from the Canyon Lake as area roads are inundated and not passable.

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